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Director, FBI (44-24016) - 933 From:

RUBY, AKA. LEE HARVEY OBVALD, AKA. - VICTIM CIVIL RIGHTS

Enclosed herewith for Washington Field are two copies of a letter to the Bureau from Paul H. Smiley, 2323 40th Place, M.W., Washington, D. C., concerning this case. One copy is also enclosed for Dallas for their information. The news clipping mentioned was not enclosed.

For the information of Washington Field, Smiley is probably identical to one Paul H. Smiley who in 1954 was an inspector-investigator for the Veterans Administration (VA), Washington, D. C. In connection with our investigation of a fraud against the government case at the McGuire VA Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, in 1954, Smiley attempted to conduct a joint investigation with the FBI and when it became apparent to him that we did not intend to conduct an investigation jointly, he put every stumbling block in our way to stymie our investigation. In 1955 he furnished a complaint concerning alleged irregularities on the part of the Loan Guaranty Division of the VA, Los Angeles, California. The Bureau investigated the complaint which was ithout merit and prosecution was declined by the U.S. Attorney.

Washington Field will immediately upon receipt contact Emiley and interview him for full details of any specific Sinformation he may have concerning this matter. Any information Any information he may have concerning matter within the jurisdiction of another Federal agency should be promptly referred to that agency. Advise the Bureau within three days of receipt of the results of the interview. Firnish appropriate 302's to office of origin Dallas for inclusion in a later report.

Enclosures (2) — 1 - Dallas (44-639) (Enclosure) JWH/ras as (SEE NOTE PAGE TWO.) دااسک

## NOTE:

Smiley in a letter to the Bureau dated 1/4/64 referred to an article in the Daily News which he stated raised some interesting questions concerning the Ruby investigation. Washington Field instructed to interview Smiley for any information he may have.